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SUBJECT: BIOGRAPHIES ON THREE NEW CABINET MINISTERS

SUMMARY. THREE PERUVIAN AIR FORCE GENERALS, POGGI, TAMAYO, AND GALINDO --ALL IN THEIR EARLY FIFTIES -- ASSUMED THE PORTFOLIOS OF AIR MINISTRY, LABOR AND HEALTH ON OCTOBER 20. THE THREE HAVE THEIR WORK CUT OUT FOR THEM. THE AIR MINISTRY HAS LITTLE VETERAN LEADERSHIP AND SOME POTENTIAL FOR INDISCIPLINE AMONG ITS OFFICERS. THE LABOR MINISTRY IS STRUGGLING TO AVOID CONFRONTATION BETWEEN THE GOP AND WORKERS IN SEVERAL MAIN INDUSTRIES. THE HEALTH MINISTRY OVER THE NEXT FEW MONTHS NEEDS TO COME UP WITH A NEW HEALTH PROGRAM WHICH WILL MEET THE PERUVIAN REVOLUTION'S SOCIAL GOALS WITHOUT DEMORALIZING THE MEDICAL PROFESSION. THE EMBASSY ASSESSMENT IS THAT THE THREE NEW APPOINTEES ARE HIGHLY QUALIFIED MILITARY CAREERISTS. IT REMAINS TO BE SEEN WHETHER GOOD GENERALS NECESSARILY MAKE STRONG MINISTERS. END SUMMARY.

1. LIEUTENANT GENERAL DANTE POGGI MORAN. HE IS THE ONLY VETERAN CABINET MEMBER OF THE THREE APPOINTEES. HE TAKES OVER THE AIR MINISTRY IN THE WAKE OF A SUCCESSFUL "IN HOUSE" REVOLT AGAINST HIS PREDECESSOR. ONCE MORE ON FAMILIAR GROUND, HE MAY DO BETTER AT RESHAPING THE AIR FORCE THAN AT THE LABOR MINISTRY WHERE DURING HIS NINE MONTHS' TENURE LABOR UNREST WENT FROM BAD TO WORSE, AND WHERE HE HAD THE REPUTATION OF BEING AN INDECISIVE ADMINISTRATOR AND POOR NEGOTIATOR.

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2. POGGI WAS BORN IN LAMBAYEQUE AUGUST 24, 1922. HE ENTERED

THE AIR FORCE ACADEMY IN 1942 AND GRADUATED IN 1945. HE TOOK ADVANCED FLIGHT TRAINING IN TEXAS FROM 1945-46. HE HAS PRIMARILY HAD OPERATIONS COMMAND RESPONSIBILITIES. HE IS MARRIED TO TERESA CAMPODONICO HOYOS AND THERE ARE FIVE CHILDREN. POGGI SPEAKS ENGLISH WELL. HE IS RESPECTED BY ALMOST ALL FACTIONS OF THE PERUVIAN AIR FORCE AND IS ONE OF TWO REMAINING LIEUTENANT GENERALS ON ACTIVE DUTY (THE OTHER IS JORGE CAYO MURILLO, WHO IS ILL AND UNDOUBTEDLY WILL BE RETIRED 1 JAN. 1976).

3. MAJOR GENERAL JORGE TAMAYO DE LA FLOR. GENERAL TAMAYO WAS BORN IN LIMA ON NOVEMBER 2, 1924. HE WAS RAISED IN THE JUNGLE CAPITAL OF IQUITOS. HE WAS A CADET 1943-45 AND SERVED SEVERAL YEARS AS A PILOT. HE WAS A STUDENT AT THE PERUVIAN CENTER OF HIGH MILITARY STUDIES (CAEM) IN 1965 AND AIR ATTACHE IN BOLIVIA 1969 TO 1971. HE WAS DIRECTOR OF THE AIR WAR COLLEGE FROM 1972 TO 1973. FOLLOWING THAT, HE WAS DIRECTOR GENERAL OF ADMINISTRATION FOR THE AIR FORCE UNTIL HE WAS NAMED TO THE LABOR MINISTRY.

4. GENERAL TAMAYO HAS BEEN IN THE U.S. ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS, BUT NONE FOR EXTENDED STAYS. HE BARELY SPEAKS ENGLISH BUT ENJOYS TRYING. HE IS VERY FRIENDLY -- ONE MIGHT SAY PARTIAL -- TO NORTH AMERICANS. NOTWITHSTANDING HIS SERIES OF ACADEMIC RESPONSIBILITIES, HE IS VERY RELAXED, INFORMAL AND WARM WITH NO INTELLECTUAL PRETENSE. HE PLAYS TENNIS REGULARLY WITH THE U.S. AIR FORCE ATTACHE AND OCCASIONALLY WITH THE AMBASSADOR.

5. TAMAYO IS MARRIED TO YOLANDA ZUMAETA LAGROTT DE TAMAYO AND THERE ARE FIVE CHILDREN. THE TAMAYOS LIVE WELL IN PART BECAUSE OF HER INDEPENDENT INCOME. MRS. TAMAYO ALSO HAS TWO RELATIVES WHO WERE SENIOR GENERALS. GENERAL TAMAYO'S ONLY REPORTED BLACK MARK IS "WEAKNESS OF CHARACTER" ALLEGED BY SOME AIR FORCE OFFICERS.

6. MAJOR GENERAL LOUIS GALINDO CHAPMAN. BORN IN LIMA ON OCTOBER 19, 1924, AND GRADUATED FROM THE AIR ACADEMY 1945, GALINDO IS, LIKE HIS TWO AIR FORCE COLLEAGUES, A PILOT FIRST AND FOREMOST. MORE THAN THE OTHER TWO, HE HAS HAD EXTENSIVE TRAINING, VISITS AND DUTY IN THE U.S. HIS ENGLISH IS EXCELLENT. FROM 1969-70 HE WAS ON THE STAFF OF THE INTER-CONFIDENTIAL

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AMERICAN DEFENSE BOARD. HIS FIRST NON-AIR FORCE JOB WAS AS GENERAL DIRECTOR OF CUSTOMS, 1971-73. IN 1974 HE VISITED CUBA AT THE INVITATION OF FIDEL CASTRO. IN 1975 HE BECAME DIRECTOR OF PLANS, AIR FORCE GENERAL STAFF. HE IS MARRIED TO GRIMANEZA GALECIO DE GALINDO AND THERE ARE FIVE CHILDREN. THE GALINDOS HAVE A MODEST LIFE STYLE AND ARE NOT NOTABLY SOCIAL. GALINDO AT 6'1" IS LARGE FOR A PERUVIAN. HE IS CALLED "CHINO" BY HIS FRIENDS BECAUSE HE HAS A SOMEWHAT ORIENTAL

APPEARANCE AND THE NICKNAME CONNOTES HERE WHAT "GOOD OL' BOY"  
DOES IN THE U.S. SOUTH. HE HAS AN EXCELLENT REPUTATION WITHIN  
THE AIR FORCE FOR INTELLIGENCE, LEADERSHIP AND HONESTY, ALL OF  
WHICH WILL BE NEEDED IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOR WITH ITS  
INTRACTABLE PROBLEMS. HE IS ON THE POST'S CURRENT PLBRL.  
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